

Remarks/Arguments:

Please change the attorney docket number for this matter to "54261-0517".

In the specification, the paragraphs [0006]-[0056] were added, but the added paragraphs contain no new matter as they duplicate text from the parent application which was incorporated by reference in the present application as filed.

Figures 1, 2, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 4d, 5a, and 5b, were added, but the added figures contain no new matter as they duplicate the figures of the parent application which was incorporated by reference in the present application as filed.

No claim amendments are included herein.

The Office Action asserts that Applicant failed to comply with the conditions for receiving the benefit of 35 U.S.D. 120. This rejection is moot in light of the amendments contained herein.

The Office Action asserts that the drawings fail to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5). This rejection is moot in light of the amendments contained herein.

The pending claims were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112 as containing subject matter which was not adequately described in the specification. This rejection is moot in light of the amendments contained herein.

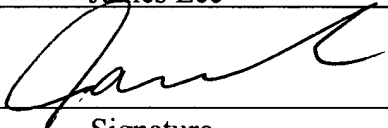
The Office Action rejected various claims under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting. This rejection is moot in light of the terminal disclaimer filed concurrently with this response.

It is believed that the case is now in condition for allowance, and an early notification of the same is requested. If the Examiner believes that a telephone interview will help further the prosecution of this case, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the listed telephone number.

Declaration

The undersigned hereby declares that the paragraphs and figures added by this amendment consist of the same material incorporated by reference in the present application, in particular the added material comprises text and figures from Application No. 09/049,360 which was identified by serial number and filing date in the first paragraph of the present application. A copy of the patent issuing from the parent/referenced application is attached hereto.

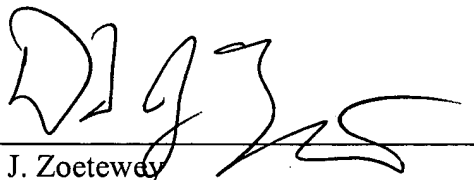
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